The Ohio/Penn Dx Packet Cluster
DX Bulletin No. 031 (OPDX.031)
October 14, 1991
Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW
Provided by BARF-80 BBS Cleveland, Ohio
Online at 216-237-8208 2400/1200/300 8/N/1

Thanks to the Northern Ohio Amateur Radio Society, Northern Ohio DX Association, Ohio/Penn Packet Cluster Network, K4CEF & the Southeastern Packet Cluster Group, ARRL Bulletins, QRZ DX, WB2CVL, K3BEQ, WB8HIW, KQ8M, W8QWI and W8XD for the following DX information.

3B7, SAINT BRANDON ISLAND. Jackie, 3B8CF, is now QRT from here. QSL to his call book address.

9L, SIERRA LEONE. Dave, 9L1US, was heard saying that he will begin tearing down his antennas the first of November, following the CQ WW Contest.

P5, NORTH KOREA. It is reported now, that Romeo is definitely NOT going to P5 at this time. He and the other operators who just operated from XY, 1S and 3W are much too tired and they need a rest.

- S2, BANGLADESH. Things are looking up for this one to be active soon. From the W1AW ARRL Bulletins, it was reported that the Bangladesh Amateur Radio League, BARL, announced regular licensing of operators has begun in S2. The first two licenses were issued to BARL President Saif Shahid, S21A, and General Secretary Nizam Chowdhury, S21B, on Oct. 5th. Six more licenses are expected soon. Probably the next licenses to be issued will go to Jim and Kirsti Smith, VK9NS and VK9NL, and Eric, WZ6C. It was also mentioned this week on W2MIG's Net, that no authorized amateur radio operation has been permitted since the Jim Smith operation.
- T2, TUVALU. Bing, VK2BCH, is now QRV from Tuvalu as T20XV. He plans to be active for several weeks. QSL to home callbook address.
- XU, KAMPUCHEA. XU0JA will be active thru October 16th. Most of the activity is on CW (around 25 kHz up from band edge). QSL via JA1NUT. The Southeastern Packet Cluster Group reported hearing and working a XU1U. It is undetermine whether this station is part of the XU0JA group or a SLIM (he did say QSL to JA1UT).
- YA, AFGHANISTAN. Jackie, F2CW, will be returning to YA on October 19 with a vertical antenna. His callsign will be YA2CW.
- YVO, AVES ISLAND. A DXpedition to Aves Island is planned to start about November 5th. Duration is reported to be about 2 weeks and the callsign reported will be 4MOPV.
- ZA, ALBANIA. A lot has been said about ZA over the past couple of weeks, so I will try to keep it short. The ZA1A international group went QRT, on October 7th. Their totals for contacts were reported to be

over 70,000. At this time ZA1A is the only station that has sent documentation and is approved for DXCC. The ZA1QA and ZA1HA still continue to be active as this bulletin was being written. The French group operated as ZA1ZMX, ZA1ZXV and ZA1ZVX for 5 days and went QRT on Friday. Also, another new ZA showed up on 28480 kHz around 1800z this weekend as ZA1DX. Zoli, HA5PP, who was the operator, said QSL to P.O. Box 200/66, Budapest, Hungary. Begin looking for the 12 Albanian students who graduated last week from the ZA1A group. (ZA1TAA thru ZA1TAL)

ZL8, KERMEDEC ISLANDS. Ron, ZL1AMO, is supposed to be active from Rotuma as 3D2RW, but has not been heard since October 7th. He is working very hard on a ZL8 DXpedition slated for around March.

THE FIRST QSL DXPEDITION. In a phone conversation with Bob, WB2CVL, he reported to the OPDX that he will be traveling to Moscow on Dec. 23 for the purpose of obtaining 400 XYORR QSL cards. His plan hinges on approval from Romeo, UB5JRR. Bob is looking to take calls and cards from a maximum of 400 stations interested in participating in this project. He plans to gather the cards from those stations and personally deliver them to Romeo and return with validated QSL confirmations. In addition, Bob will donate some blank QSL cards to Romeo to help expedite the QSLing process for these much sought after QSL cards. Donations to cover transportation and QSL costs will be essential to making this project possible. For further information Bob can be reached at 908-846-2056 if your interested. Bob feels he will have an answer from Romeo sometime this week and needs to finalize his list.

SOUTH ATLANTIC CRUISE. Ken, WB8HIW, was informed by F6EWE, that a group consisting of F6EOZ and others (doctors, geologist, scientist), will be cruising the South Atlantic on a boat called Antarctica. They will be at sea for approximately one year and plan to stay at least one week at various rare islands. Some of the islands mentioned are Peter I, Bouvet and South Sandwich. Details are still sketchy, but the general purpose of this expedition is the preservation of the Antarctica natural resources.

STATIONS SLATED TO BE ACTIVE IN THE CQ WORLD-WIDE SSB CONTEST. (Compiled from some rumors, nets and QRZ DX Bulletin) 4K4ZI (QSL to K4RKI), 5B4BCC (QSL to DL4MDO), 5V7JG (by F2JD), 6I2A (Mexico! by several of the XE gang), 8P9Z (by K3KG, K3ZR, K4FJ, 9L1US (QSL via WA8JOC), 9M6NA (by JE1JKL), C6AFQ (by K1TN and WB2CHO), C6AFT (by AA5NT--will sign AA5NT/C6A before the contest.), CT3M (Madeira by OH2MM going for a World Record Single Op score. QSL to CT3BX), FG8Y (by FG/F2YT) and FG/F1MVT, GU (Guernsey! Several DLs will sign their own calls /GU), HS0E (by K9EL, Some CW before the contest), J37H (operated by KJ4VH, KU4J, W4BXI, N4WBS), J80D (by W8KKF, KP2A, WX9E and WA8LOW), KH9 (by WE5I and AD1S), KP2A (by CT1BOH), LU4FM (by N6AA and crew), NP2N (by NP2N, WIOW and WOANZ), P40T (by WX4G, W3BTX, N4RJ and K4PI), P40V (by AI6V), P40W (by W2GD), RH3E (Turkoman, 16 ops), V31X (by several W6's), V47KP (by K2DOX), V47NS (by W9NSZ), VE2/Zone 2 (by Woodbridge Wireless Club & WD4KXB and KJ4VG signing /VE2), VP2E/WA2VUY (QSL to WA2VUY), ZD8Z (by N6TJ), ZF2JR (by N6RJ, 40m single band), ZK1XC (South

Cook, by WQ7R)

Excerpts and distribution of The OPDX Bulletin are granted as long as OPDX/BARF80 receive credit. To contribute DX info, call BARF-80 BBS online at 216-237-8208 2400/1200/300 and leave a message with the Sysop or send InterNet Mail to: aq474@cleveland.freenet.edu or send BitNet Mail to: aq474%cleveland.freenet@cunyvm or send a message via packet to KB8NW @ WA8BXN.OH.USA.NA